

## Health, Safety and Environmental Protection Committee Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, August 8, 2013  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Richland Library Conference Rooms A/B, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland  
**Conference Line:** Dialing Instructions:

- Tri-City participants: 376-3622, conference code **6534566#**
- Long distance participants: 1-877-401-5229, conference code **6534566#**

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**9:00 a.m. Opening – Becky Holland, Chair**

- Welcome and introductions
- Approval of the May Committee meeting summary
- Announcements

**9:15 a.m. Safety Culture Update – Joint Topic with Tank Waste Committee (TWC)**

*Purpose: To receive a brief update from DOE-ORP<sup>1</sup> on the progress of the Safety Team in addressing safety culture issues, and to learn about the nature of the HSS visit with WRPS.*

- Agency update – Steve Pfaff, DOE-ORP
  - Report to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
  - Updating the Safety Culture Improvement Plan
- Committee discussion

**9:45 a.m. Buildup of Flammable Gas in Double-Shell Tanks (DST) – Joint Topic with TWC**

*Purpose: 1) To receive a briefing on the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB's) response to the DST flammable gas issue; 2) To address committee questions and concerns regarding this issue.*

- Issue manager framing – Becky Holland and Dirk Dunning, HAB (5 min)
- Agency presentation – Tom Fletcher, DOE-ORP
  - DNSFB response
  - Is the current DST safety basis adequate?
    - What kinds of gases are involved?
    - How are they monitored?
    - If a tank is pressurized due to a gas release, what happens if pressurization alarms don't work?
  - Does DOE have an emergency response in place in the event of a significant gas release (explosive or flammable)
- Committee discussion

**10:30 a.m. Break**

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Energy – Office of River Protection

**10:45 a.m. Briefing on DOE's Emergency Preparedness Program – Joint with the River and Plateau Committee and Public information and Communications Committee**

*Purpose: To learn about the Hanford Site's Emergency Preparedness Programs (including an overview of evacuation plans, worker/contractor/county /agency response, etc.); the Emergency Operations Center, and the Joint Information Center; 2) to initiate a discussion on strategies to promote public awareness of the program and how it works.*

- Issue manager framing – Pam Larsen and Becky Holland, HAB (5 min)
- Agency presentation – Steve Sanders, DOE-RL
- Committee discussion

**11:45 a.m. Committee Business**

- Review follow up items
- Update the 3-month work plan, including August committee call topics

**12:00 p.m. Adjourn**